

Application Serial No. 09/848,940
Amendment dated
Reply to Final Office Action dated August 2, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 16-20, 24 and 25 have been cancelled without prejudice to their being reintroduced in a continuation application.

Claim 21 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claims 24 and 25. Since the Examiner indicated Claim 25 as being allowable, it is submitted that Claim 21 and the claims dependent thereon are now in condition for allowance.

Although it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance, if further issues remain, it is requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at 260-460-1692.

Respectfully submitted,

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